

ABSTRACT OF THE DISCLOSURE

A playback apparatus including a playback unit which plays back audio information and the like, an accommodation unit which accommodates a detachable recording medium, and a controller. The controller causes the playback unit to access to the recording medium through the accommodation unit according to a first communication standard (PCMCIA) and causes an external apparatus to access to the recording medium according to a second communication standard (ATA) different from the first communication standard.